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COCHIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Friday,

31st July, 1936.
16th Karkidagam, 1111.

The Council met in the Council Hall, Ernakulam, at Eleven of the Clock with the Hon'ble the President (Sir Shanmukham Chetty, K. C. I. E.) in the Chair.

Messrs. George Parakkal, C. R. Iyyunni, K. T. Mathew, P. Sankunni Menon, C. S. Viswanatha Ayyar, H. J. Walmesley, Dr. D. Raghavendra Rao and Dr. A. R. Menon were absent.

Questions and Answers.

Head clerks in the Registration Department—Promotion as District Registrars.

81. **Mr. K. S. Manickam.**—(a) Will the Government be pleased to place on the table a copy of the Huzur Circular D. Dis. 1690/D/06, dated 11th February 1931, Revenue Department (Separate Revenue);

(b) are the Head clerks of the Registry Offices allowed the benefit of the above Circular when the Government have conceded that they were not found incompetent to hold the post of Registrars in addition to their own duties as Head clerks at one and the same time?

Mr. M. P. Cherian—(a) A copy of the Circular Dis. No. 1690/D/06 is appended. *(Vide Appendix I.)*

(b) The circular does not relate to the appointment of

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District Registrars. In regard to appointment of District Registrars, the present policy of Government is to appoint only graduates or graduates-in-law.

Scale of Registration fees—Reduction in.

82. Mr. K. S. Manickam.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) what was the scale of registration fees up to Rs. 100 before 1103;

(b) what is the present scale of registration fee up to Rs. 100;

(c) when was the change made and what were the reasons;

(d) was any reduction in the income noticed as a result of the change;

(e) if so, what is the actual percentage of reduction noticed in the three years succeeding the introduction of the change?

Mr. M. P. Cherian.—(a) and (b). A statement containing the required information is appended. *(Vide Appendix II.)*

(c) The change was introduced with effect from 1st Edavam 1103. The table of fees in the Madras Presidency was revised with effect from 1st January 1928. The change was introduced to bring the scale of fees with that prevailing in the Madras Presidency to afford greater relief to the very poor section of the registering public and to encourage registration of documents up to the value of Rs. 100.

(d) Yes.

(e) 1·4 per cent in 1104; 2 per cent in 1105 and 19·5 per cent in 1106.

Head clerks in the Registration Department.

83. Mr. K. S. Manickam.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) how many grades of Head clerks are there in the Registration Department;

(b) are not they doing the same kind of work;

(c) is there any other department in the Stase in which there are two grades of Head clerks;

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(d) Yes.

(e) Yes.

(f) The Director of Public Health and Panchayats personally enquired about the complaints. Also the necessary explanations were called for from the Medical Officer and she has been directed not to give room for any such complaints future.

APPENDIX I.

(Question No. 81.)

Copy of the Circular dated 11th February 1931, Dis. No. 1690-D-1106.

The Diwan had occasion to observe that even in the lower grades, undergraduates are sometimes superseded by graduates with less service. The Diwan does not think that graduates should thus be put over the heads of undergraduates already in service in grades the work of which under-graduates can satisfactorily discharge.

(Signed)
C. G. HERBERT,
Diwan of Cochin.

APPENDIX II.

(Question No. 82.)

Scale of registration fees up to Rs. 100 before the year 1103.

Particulars	Fees Rs.	A.	P.
1. When the length does not exceed 300 words and the value does not exceed Rs. 50	0	8	0
2. When the length exceeds 300 words and the value does not exceed Rs. 50	1	0	0
3. When the value exceeds Rs. 50 but does not exceed Rs. 100	1	0	0
Present scale of registration fees up to Rs. 100			
1. When the value does not exceed Rs. 10	0	4	0
2. When the value exceeds Rs. 10 but does not exceed Rs. 25	0	6	0
3. When the value exceeds Rs. 25 but does not exceed Rs. 50	0	8	0

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